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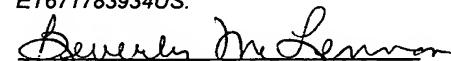
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1. Abstract and Specification (22 pages)
2. Claims (8 pages, 73 claims)
2. Informal Drawings (10 sheets)

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